

July 13, 2011

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working
Group Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing in support of LightSquared's efforts to launch a nationwide 4G-LTE broadband wireless network. This network provides a unique opportunity to increase the amount of spectrum assigned to broadband wireless; an opportunity that we must capitalize upon.

The GPS industry has had since 2003 to prepare its receivers for LightSquared's much-needed 4G network. Hawaiians and other Americans throughout the country should not need to wait further to accommodate the GPS industry's procrastination.

LightSquared's integrated satellite-terrestrial network will greatly increase access to wireless broadband for the 26 million Americans who lack it, particularly those in rural zones that suffer greatly from little or no connectivity. The company is a long-standing satellite communications provider to the public safety and homeland security community, and the new network's ability to reach remote areas and provide seamless secure connectivity will be of great benefit to first responders, healthcare workers and emergency response personnel. As someone who utilizes and depends on this technology to ensure the safety of the community, the increased wireless access will be a critical tool for the continued success of our program.

Again, the GPS community has had eight years to prepare for this day. Americans shouldn't suffer to accommodate the GPS industry's turning of a blind eye to the world around them. Especially when our public safety is at stake.

Sincerely,

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